

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA**

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AGERE SYSTEMS, INC., CYTEC  
INDUSTRIES, INC., FORD MOTOR  
COMPANY, SPS TECHNOLOGIES, LLC  
and TI GROUP AUTOMOTIVE SYSTEMS  
LLC,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL  
TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION, et al.,

Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 02-CV-3830 (LDD)

**MOTION OF PLAINTIFFS TO COMPEL PRODUCTION OF DRAFTS OF THE  
EXPERT REPORT PREPARED BY KIRK W. BROWN, Ph.D.**

Plaintiffs Agere Systems, Inc., Cytec Industries, Inc., Ford Motor Company, SPS Technologies, LLC and TI Group Automotive Systems LLC ("Plaintiffs"), by and through their attorneys, hereby moves to compel Defendant Handy & Harman Tube Company to produce drafts of the expert report prepared by Kirk W. Brown, Ph.D. Plaintiffs rely upon the grounds set forth in the accompanying Memorandum of Law and exhibits attached thereto in support of its Motion.

Respectfully submitted,

Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP  
A Pennsylvania Limited Liability Partnership

Dated: December 12, 2006

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**PLAINTIFFS' MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF MOTION TO COMPEL  
PRODUCTION OF DRAFTS OF THE EXPERT REPORT PREPARED BY KIRK W.  
BROWN, Ph.D.**

**INTRODUCTION**

Plaintiffs Agere Systems, Inc., Cytec Industries, Inc., Ford Motor Company, SPS Technologies, LLC and TI Group Automotive Systems LLC ("Plaintiffs") bring this motion to compel the production of drafts of the expert report prepared by Dr. Kirk W. Brown, Ph.D. ("Dr. Brown"), a witness designated by Defendant Handy & Harman Tube Company ("Handy") pursuant to Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(2).

Dr. Brown testified on December 1, 2006 at deposition that he created drafts of his September 29, 2006 expert report, that he provided at least two different versions of those drafts to counsel for Handy, that he changed subsequent drafts of his report based upon comments from counsel, and that he destroyed all copies of those drafts. Those drafts, as well as other materials prepared by or relied upon by Dr. Brown, are discoverable, and were specifically

requested by Plaintiffs for production prior to the beginning of Dr. Brown's deposition. Handy should be ordered to make a complete investigation of the paper and electronic files of each person involved in the creation or review of these materials to determine whether any copies of those materials still exist in some form, and production of any materials located should be ordered.

### **STATEMENT OF FACTS**

On September 29, 2006 Handy produced a report from Dr. Brown of that date, thereby designating Dr. Brown as an expert witness. Eighth Case Management Order at ¶2. On or about October 30, 2006 Plaintiffs served a Notice of Deposition of Dr. Brown and requested in that notice the production of: "... his complete file, including, but not limited to, all materials in his possession, or on which he relied in reaching the opinions set forth in his report in this case, or about which he will testify at trial, including notes, draft copies of his report, photographs, videotape or any other written document." The cover letter additionally requested that all such materials be produced within fourteen days. Copies of the Notice of Deposition and cover letter are attached to the Certification of Amy M. Trojecki, Esquire and marked as Exhibit "A".

On or about November 27, 2006, Handy provided to Plaintiffs two CD-ROM discs purporting to contain all of Dr. Brown's files. No drafts of Dr. Brown's report were included on the discs and there was no document appearing to be an e-mail or cover letter transmitting any such drafts to counsel for Handy. Dr. Brown testified at the first day of his deposition that at least two drafts of his report were provided to counsel for Handy, that he had discussions with counsel about the drafts, that counsel requested that changes be made to the report, and that changes were made based upon those requests. Transcript of Kirk W. Brown,

Ph.D., December 1, 2006, at 48-50. Relevant portions of the transcript are attached to the Trojecki Certification and marked Exhibit "B". When asked whether he had copies of those drafts, Dr. Brown replied: "I don't believe so." Transcript at 50. Dr. Brown further testified that it was his "practice" to destroy all written drafts of his report and to overwrite on the computer the file containing his draft report each time changes to or additions were made to the report. Transcript at 48-50. Dr. Brown also testified that he was given no instructions by counsel for Handy at the time of his retention or otherwise concerning the creation, handling, or retention of draft reports, or about proper handling of notes or communications with counsel relating to his work. Transcript at 48-49. The retention letter from counsel for Handy contained no such instructions. August 18, 2006 letter from John Agnello, Esquire to Kirk W. Brown, Ph.D. A copy of the retention letter is attached to the Trojecki Certification and marked Exhibit "C".

Counsel for Handy was asked at the deposition of Dr. Brown whether counsel had copies of the draft reports provided by Dr. Brown (either directly or through Mr. Golladay), to which counsel replied: "I don't believe so." Transcript at 50. On December 5, 2006, counsel for Plaintiffs sent an e-mail to counsel for Handy stating:

This is to follow up on the first day of Dr. Brown's deposition.  
Based on Dr. Brown's testimony, it appears that drafts of Dr. Brown's report were provided to Carella Byrne. Please ensure that a search is conducted of all files, including electronic files (and archives of such files) to locate drafts of his report and any and all communications concerning those drafts (or any other aspect of his work on this matter). Such documents are responsive to our notice for Dr. Brown's deposition. Please confirm as soon as possible whether those drafts and communications still exist, and, if so, produce them. Thank you.

December 5, 2006 e-mail from Trojecki to Flax. A copy of the December 5, 2006 e-mail is attached to the Trojecki Certification and marked Exhibit "D". Counsel for Handy replied by e-

mail on or about December 6, 2006:

Plaintiff's notice for Dr. Brown's deposition requested that Dr. Brown produce his complete file. I provided you with copies of Dr. Brown's complete file and therefore we have complied with your request. To the extent that you are requesting documents from my file, such a request is inappropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, as I advised you during an afternoon break on Friday, December 1, 2006, my files does not contain any drafts of Dr. Brown's report.

December 6, 2006 e-mail from Flax to Trojecki. A copy of the December 6, 2006 e-mail is attached to the Trojecki Certification and marked Exhibit "E".

**ARGUMENT**

This Court recently held that all materials an expert generates, reviews, reflects upon, reads, and/or uses in formulating his conclusions are discoverable, including e-mails, retainer letters and invoices, and draft expert reports. *Synthes Spine Co. v. Walden*, 232 F.R.D. 460 (E.D. Pa. 2005)(Davis, J.). That holding is the better reasoned and majority rule in Federal Court and was certainly the law in this courtroom prior to the retention by Handy of Dr. Brown and the creation and destruction of the drafts of Dr. Brown's report and related documents.

Counsel for Handy failed to communicate Dr. Brown these rules. Indeed, it appears that counsel itself intentionally destroyed such documents.

Following the first day of Dr. Brown's deposition, Plaintiffs requested that Handy conduct a search of all written files, electronic files, and archived electronic files in the possession, custody or control of counsel, Dr. Brown, and anyone working with Dr. Brown to determine conclusively whether any of the drafts of Dr. Brown's report still exist. Counsel's conclusory response that "my file does not contain any drafts of Dr. Brown's report" is simply inadequate. If, for example, Dr. Brown or Mr. Golladay (a person who worked with Dr. Brown on his report) transmitted copies of draft reports to counsel by e-mail, it is simply impossible to

believe that those e-mails and the attachments thereto do not still exist on Mr. Golladay's computer, Dr. Brown's computer, or on the computer system of counsel for Handy. It would be remarkable if at least counsel for Handy did not have some firm-wide archive or back-up system wherein these e-mails still reside.

Plaintiffs and this Court are entitled to know what happened here. Handy should be ordered to conduct a full and complete investigation into what drafts were provided to counsel by Mr. Golladay or Dr. Brown and the manner in which those drafts were communicated. Handy should additionally be ordered to make all appropriate inquiry of Mr. Golladay, Dr. Brown, and persons in charge of the computer systems at each of their offices, including counsel's, to determine the continuing existence of any such documents. Finally, Handy should be required to provide a certification to this Court setting forth the results of its investigation. Any drafts and other documents discovered through that process should be immediately produced.<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> It may be that all such documents were in fact destroyed by Mr. Golladay, by Dr. Brown, and by counsel for Handy. Plaintiffs will then have been permanently deprived of relevant and discoverable evidence. If so, Plaintiffs intend further motion practice to seek appropriate sanctions. *Schmid v. Milwaukee Electric Tool Corporation*, 13 F.3d 76 (3d Cir. 1994).

**CONCLUSION**

For all of the foregoing reasons, and in the interest of justice, Plaintiffs respectfully request an order be entered requiring Handy to produce all extant drafts and other documents relating to the creation of Dr. Brown's September 29, 2006 report and to provide a certification to the Court as set forth above concerning its efforts to locate any such documents.

Respectfully submitted,

Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP  
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By: 

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**CERTIFICATION OF AMY M. TROJECKI, ESQUIRE IN SUPPORT OF MOTION OF  
PLAINTIFFS TO COMPEL THE PRODUCTION OF DRAFT EXPERT REPORTS  
PREPARED BY KIRK W. BROWN, Ph.D.**

AMY M. TROJECKI, ESQUIRE hereby certifies and says:

1. I am an associate with the law firm of Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP, counsel for Plaintiffs Agere Systems, Inc., Cytect Industries, Inc., Ford Motor Company, SPS Technologies, LLC and TI Group Automotive Systems, LLC ("Plaintiffs") in the above-captioned matter. I submit this certification in support of the Motion to Compel the Production of Draft Expert Reports Prepared by Kirk W. Brown, Ph.D. ("Dr. Brown").

2. Copies of the October 30, 2006 Notice of Deposition and cover letter are attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "A".

3. Relevant portions of the December 1, 2006 transcript of Dr. Brown are attached hereto and marked Exhibit "B".

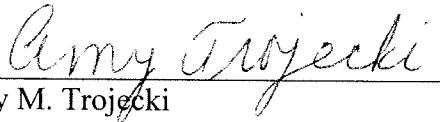
4. A copy of the retention letter from counsel for Handy is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "C".

5. A copy of the December 5, 2006 e-mail from me to Melissa Flax, Esquire is attached hereto and marked as Exhibit "D".

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I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the statements made by me are wilfully false, I am subject to punishment.

  
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Amy M. Trojecki

Dated: December 11, 2006

***Exhibit “A”***

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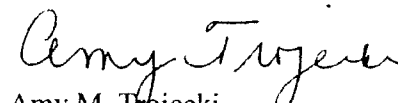
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Re: Agere Systems, Inc., et al. v. Advanced Environmental  
Technology Corporation, et al.; C.A. No. 02-CV-3830

Dear Counsel:

I am enclosing Notices of Deposition requiring the production of defendants' experts for deposition. We ask that each expert produce their respective files, including, but not limited to, all materials in the expert's possession, or on which he relied in reaching the opinions set forth in his report in this case, or about which he will testify at trial, including notes, draft copies of the expert's report, photographs, videotape or any other written documents, within the next fourteen (14) days. Please let us know immediately if any of the dates and locations for the depositions are not workable so that the depositions can be completed by December 20, 2006, as required by Case Management Order No. 8 dated May 16, 2006.

Very truly yours,

  
Amy M. Trojecki

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Enclosures

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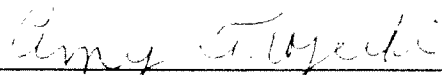
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**NOTICE OF DEPOSITION**

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, defendant will take the deposition of Kirk W. Brown, Ph.D. on December 1, 2006, at 9:00 a.m., at the offices of Ballard Spahr Andrews & Ingersoll, LLP, 1735 Market Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that Dr. Brown is to produce his complete file, including, but not limited to, all materials in his possession, or on which he relied in reaching the opinions set forth in his report in this case, or about which he will testify at trial, including notes, draft copies of his report, photographs, videotape or any other written document.

  
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Glenn A. Harris, Esquire  
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Dated : October 30, 2006

**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Amy M. Trojecki, hereby certify that I caused a true and correct copy of the foregoing Notice of Deposition to be served on counsel listed below on this 30<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2006 via e-mail and U.S. mail:

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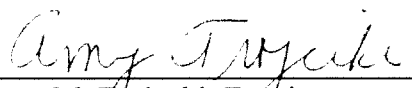
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***Exhibit “B”***

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ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL \*  
TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION, \*  
et al., \*  
Defendants.

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T R A N S C R I P T of the stenographic  
notes of the proceedings in the above-entitled  
matter, taken by and before DEBRA DeLOOF, a  
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<p style="text-align: right;">Page 3</p> <p>1 INDEX  2  3 WITNESS DIRECT CROSS REDIRECT RECROSS  4 KIRK W. BROWN  5 By Ms. Trojecki 4  6  7  8  9  10  11 EXHIBITS  12  13 NUMBER DESCRIPTION PAGE  14 BROWN-1 Expert Report 5  15 BROWN-2 E-mail dated 8/18/06 39  16 BROWN-3 Invoice dated 10/5/06 57  17 BROWN-4 Invoice dated 10/5/06 57  18 BROWN-5 E-Mail from John Coates 109  19 BROWN-6 DeRewal Invoice 2/5/73 113  20 BROWN-7 Interview of Jay Crawford 135  21  22  23  24  25</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 5</p> <p>1 a question, however, you must still answer the  2 question. If you don't understand a question that  3 I'm asking just ask from clarification and I'll try  4 to revise it.  5 Are you on any medication that you  6 will affect your ability to testify this morning?  7 A. No.  8 Q. Could you give me your date of birth?  9 A. July 3rd, 1940.  10 Q. I am going to hand you your expert  11 report in this matter I'm going to have it marked as  12 your first exhibit, Brown 1.  13 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. Brown-1,  14 Expert Report, was marked for  15 identification at this time.)  16 Q. I'm going to ask you to turn to your CV.  17 A. Yes.  18 Q. I see that you have three degrees in  19 Agronomy.  20 A. Yes.  21 Q. Can you describe for me exactly what  22 that is.  23 A. Agronomy has two divisions, plant  24 science and soil science, and I specialize in soil  25 science aspects of it, particularly chemical and</p>

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<p style="text-align: right;">Page 46</p> <p>1 hazardous waste streams and then the hundreds of cases  2 that I -- situations that, not particularly legal  3 cases but the hundreds of contacts I've had since then  4 with industrial activities and their wastes and the  5 waste that they generate.  6 Q. And then just to confirm, you do not  7 recall ever working for a client or working in a case  8 where you were asked to characterize the waste of a  9 manufacturer of steel tubing?  10 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.  11 Asked and answered.  12 Q. Is that correct?  13 A. That's correct.  14 Q. The third thing that I believe you  15 mentioned, the third item that you mentioned you were  16 asked to do in this matter was to identify the types  17 of wastes that might have gone to the site?  18 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.  19 Q. Can you explain that?  20 A. That was the types of waste from the  21 other defendants.  22 Q. And your expertise that would allow you  23 to do that, what is that?  24 A. The same as we just discussed.  25 Q. Were you given documents to review as</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 48</p> <p>1 Q. Did you speak with any Handy &amp; Harman  2 employees in the process of creating your expert  3 opinion in this matter?  4 A. No.  5 Q. Did you create any drafts of your expert  6 report?  7 A. I don't save any drafts so as I change  8 things they're automatically over written, so there  9 are no --  10 Q. You don't save them electronically?  11 A. No.  12 Q. Do you save them as new versions of the  13 document?  14 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.  15 Q. Do you save drafts as new versions?  16 MS. FLAX: Objection.  17 A. No.  18 Q. You don't save them at all?  19 A. No.  20 Q. Were you given any instructions by Handy  21 &amp; Harman's lawyers as to what to do with draft  22 reports?  23 A. No. It's my policy -- it's fodder for  24 lawyers to chew on.  25 Q. Did you print out any copies of your</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 47</p> <p>1 part of your serving as an expert in this case?  2 A. Yes.  3 Q. How did you identify which documents you  4 wanted to review?  5 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.  6 A. Counsel sent me an initial package of  7 documents and then after reviewing those I made  8 specific requests for additional documents.  9 Q. What were the additional documents that  10 you remember requesting?  11 A. 104E's for the defendants, I asked for  12 depositions of the DeRewal employees, particularly the  13 truck drivers, DeRewal, Sr., DeRewal, Jr., Bruce, and  14 other truck drivers. I asked for depositions of the  15 employees of Handy &amp; Harman, particularly Mr. Curran.  16 Q. Anything else?  17 A. That's what I remember. Now there are  18 transmittal documents in the file which we used to  19 flush that out and it actually tells what was being  20 transmitted either by Bates code or by document type.  21 Q. From you to?  22 A. No, from counsel to me.  23 MS. FLAX: Let's take a break.  24 (There was a break in the  25 proceedings.)</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 49</p> <p>1 report as you were creating it?  2 A. Yes.  3 Q. Do you have copies of those printouts?  4 A. No. Once they're corrected I dispose of  5 them.  6 Q. Did your lawyers ever see any copies of  7 your draft reports?  8 A. Yes.  9 Q. Did you send them by e-mail?  10 A. I did not personally send them by e-mail  11 and I don't know how they were sent. Mike Golladay in  12 the office transmits things for me. I don't know  13 whether they were e-mail or what.  14 Q. But you do know that you sent copies of  15 the draft reports to Handy &amp; Harman's lawyers?  16 A. I do yes.  17 Q. Did you have discussions with Handy &amp;  18 Harman's lawyers about any of the drafts that you  19 created?  20 A. Yes.  21 Q. What were those discussions?  22 A. There were -- we were asked to change  23 organization report a little bit. It didn't change  24 the assertions at all or the conclusions that were  25 drawn, just we didn't have it organized very well at</p>

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<p style="text-align: right;">Page 50</p> <p>1 the beginning. And there were some word smithing but</p> <p>2 nothing that changed anything that would change the</p> <p>3 meaning. It's my report. It's not -- written in my</p> <p>4 shop, it's not something that the lawyers --</p> <p>5 MS. TROJECKI: Do you have copies of</p> <p>6 his draft reports?</p> <p>7 MS. FLAX: I don't believe so.</p> <p>8 Q. Who is Mike Golladay?</p> <p>9 A. Mike Golladay is essentially the</p> <p>10 principal owner of SI Group. He is a -- was a</p> <p>11 graduate student of mine. He has a Master's Degree in</p> <p>12 soil science, soil chemistry and has taken many</p> <p>13 courses in chemistry. He's an excellent chemist.</p> <p>14 Q. He was a graduate student with you at</p> <p>15 what time?</p> <p>16 A. In the mid 90's.</p> <p>17 Q. And he has his Master's Degree?</p> <p>18 A. Yes.</p> <p>19 Q. Does he have any higher degree?</p> <p>20 A. No. He completed all his course work</p> <p>21 for a Ph.D in chemistry but never got the degree.</p> <p>22 Q. What did you personally do on behalf of</p> <p>23 Handy Harman in terms of their retainer of you in this</p> <p>24 case?</p> <p>25 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 52</p> <p>1 Q. Is there any writing at all between you</p> <p>2 and Mike Golladay regarding this report and your</p> <p>3 opinions in this case?</p> <p>4 A. The writing would be where I wrote a</p> <p>5 draft, gave it to him, and then incorporate that on</p> <p>6 what he was working on it, printed out a copy, then he</p> <p>7 would give it to me. I would write on it, give it</p> <p>8 back to him. When he's done he returns it to me and I</p> <p>9 file it in the round file. So there were verbal and</p> <p>10 written communications. The written communications</p> <p>11 were all in terms of drafts or revisions to drafts.</p> <p>12 Q. What is the round file?</p> <p>13 A. The waste basket.</p> <p>14 Q. Did Mike Golladay review documents?</p> <p>15 A. He did, yes.</p> <p>16 Q. Did he go on the field visit with you?</p> <p>17 A. No.</p> <p>18 Q. Can you give me an approximation of the</p> <p>19 percentage of work that was done with respect to the</p> <p>20 opinions?</p> <p>21 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>22 MS. TROJECKI: Can you read that</p> <p>23 back.</p> <p>24 (The requested portion was read back</p> <p>25 by the reporter.)</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 51</p> <p>1 A. I reviewed documents. I made a field</p> <p>2 visit. I personally requested additional, that I be</p> <p>3 sent additional documents. I wrote out first cut at</p> <p>4 the opinions and laid out what would be in the report.</p> <p>5 Mike Golladay did most of the drafting and then I did</p> <p>6 the review and revisions.</p> <p>7 Q. Is Mike Golladay in your, does he work</p> <p>8 in the same office as you, by that I mean physical</p> <p>9 office?</p> <p>10 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>11 A. Yes.</p> <p>12 Q. Do you see him on a daily basis?</p> <p>13 A. Yes.</p> <p>14 Q. Do you communicate with him by e-mail?</p> <p>15 A. I do not.</p> <p>16 Q. Do you have an e-mail address?</p> <p>17 A. No.</p> <p>18 Q. Do you use e-mail at all?</p> <p>19 A. No.</p> <p>20 Q. Does Mike Golladay use e-mail?</p> <p>21 A. All the time. I'm retired so I have</p> <p>22 avoided it.</p> <p>23 Q. What was the form of your communication</p> <p>24 with Mike Golladay?</p> <p>25 A. Verbal, regarding this report.</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 53</p> <p>1 Q. The percentage of work that was done</p> <p>2 between you and Mike Golladay on the expert report in</p> <p>3 this matter?</p> <p>4 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>5 A. I can't get my hands around the</p> <p>6 question, my mind around the question, can you --</p> <p>7 Q. If you can is it possible for you to say</p> <p>8 I worked on, my work in forming the expert report, the</p> <p>9 written report was 50% versus Mike Golladay's was some</p> <p>10 other percentage?</p> <p>11 A. The percentage of each of us, I would</p> <p>12 just be guessing but 50/50 sounds about right to me.</p> <p>13 Q. Is Mike Golladay's e-mail account with</p> <p>14 SI Group?</p> <p>15 A. Yes.</p> <p>16 Q. Is there a policy of deleting e-mails in</p> <p>17 your company?</p> <p>18 A. I don't know.</p> <p>19 Q. Do you know if your company backs up</p> <p>20 your e-mail account every night?</p> <p>21 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>22 A. I don't know.</p> <p>23 Q. Who would you say had more communication</p> <p>24 with Handy &amp; Harman's lawyers you or Mike Golladay?</p> <p>25 A. That's very difficult to judge. When I</p>

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<p style="text-align: right;">Page 54</p> <p>1 came up here for the field trip to Boarhead I also  2 spent time in the office here. I spent time reading  3 things on the airplane. I spent time reading things  4 back home, and excuse me, you're talking about  5 communications, so there's two solid days of  6 communication, talked to them on the phone several  7 times. I did spent part of yesterday with them, they  8 weren't in the room the whole time, they were in and  9 out periodically. And then Mike has talked to them on  10 the phone a couple times and sent them e-mails. So I  11 would say he's probably been on the phone with them  12 since August 10, 12 times and I don't have any way to  13 know whether they talked for five minutes or an hour  14 or so. You know I'm trying to give you the pieces but  15 I can't really answer your question.</p> <p>16 Q. Okay. How about on a more of a routine  17 basis, who would be dealing with Handy &amp; Harman's  18 lawyers you or Mike Golladay?</p> <p>19 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>20 A. He's the one in the office, I'm often  21 not in the office. So he's the one and since I don't  22 have e-mail he's kind of the anchor that does a lot of  23 communications for me. So the routine requests and  24 routine would be like requesting documents and  25 acknowledging that they've been received and whether</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 56</p> <p>1 would there be a transmittal letter with the expert  2 report if it was sent by regular mail?</p> <p>3 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>4 A. I don't know but I would think so.</p> <p>5 Q. Is that something that you would also  6 throw away?</p> <p>7 A. No. Correspondence I wouldn't throw  8 away, no, no.</p> <p>9 Q. So if there was correspondence from your  10 office attaching a draft report, the transmittal  11 letter would be in your expert file?</p> <p>12 A. Yes.</p> <p>13 Q. Do you know if there are any such  14 transmittal letters in your expert file?</p> <p>15 A. I don't know, I'd have to look.</p> <p>16 Q. If I represented to you that I looked  17 through the file and I didn't find any, would that  18 lead you to believe that the communication must have  19 been by e-mail?</p> <p>20 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>21 A. No.</p> <p>22 Q. Why is that?</p> <p>23 A. Could have been by fax.</p> <p>24 Q. Would you have a copy of the fax cover  25 sheet?</p>
<p style="text-align: right;">Page 55</p> <p>1 the format was right if they came in electronically,  2 that type of thing. He does all those things.</p> <p>3 Q. If I asked you who wrote the expert  4 report in this matter that's marked as Brown-1, what  5 is the answer to that question?</p> <p>6 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>7 A. As I said, I wrote parts of it. He  8 wrote part of it. It's my report. I heavily edit the  9 whole thing.</p> <p>10 Q. Now, you said that Mike Golladay has  11 sent e-mails to Handy &amp; Harman's lawyers, do you know  12 what the subject of those e-mails were?</p> <p>13 A. Requesting documents, setting up the  14 field trip, setting up the time and the schedule for  15 this deposition and that type of thing.</p> <p>16 Q. Do you know if Mike Golladay sent any  17 copies or drafts of the expert report to Handy &amp;  18 Harman's lawyers by e-mail?</p> <p>19 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>20 A. Asked and answered, no.</p> <p>21 Q. Just to clarify, if drafts were sent to  22 Handy &amp; Harman by regular mail would you keep a copy  23 of the cover letter?</p> <p>24 MS. FLAX: Objection as to form.</p> <p>25 Q. Actually, would there be a cover letter,</p>	<p style="text-align: right;">Page 57</p> <p>1 A. I don't believe so. I haven't seen any  2 in the file. So I haven't seen one.</p> <p>3 Q. If you sent it by fax would the fax  4 cover sheet be something that you would keep as  5 correspondence?</p> <p>6 A. I just don't know. I don't know what he  7 does with fax cover sheets.</p> <p>8 MS. TROJECKI: I want to mark as  9 Brown-3, an invoice from KW Brown dated October 5th  10 2006 to Mr. John Agnello.</p> <p>11 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. Brown-3,  12 Invoice 10/5/06, was marked for  13 identification at this time.)</p> <p>14 At the same time I'm going to mark  15 separately an invoice from SI Group dated  16 October 5th 2006 to KW Brown.</p> <p>17 (Plaintiff's Exhibit No. Brown-4,  18 Invoice 10/5/06, was marked for  19 identification at this time.)</p> <p>20 Q. The KW Brown invoice, what is KW Brown?</p> <p>21 MS. FLAX: Objection.</p> <p>22 A. That's me, I'll help you clarify that.  23 In this case, in some cases lawyers prefer contract  24 with me and then I subcontract to SI Group, in other  25 cases I subcontract SI Group.</p>

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*Exhibit “C”*



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**Civil Action No. 02-3830 (LDD)**  
**Our File 300580-21**

Dear Dr. Brown:

This will confirm that Carella, Byrne has retained your services in connection with the above referenced litigation relating to the Boarhead Farm Superfund Site in Upper Black Eddy, Pennsylvania.

You will invoice for your services at the rate of \$200/hour for all services other than testimony. Deposition and trial testimony will be invoiced at the rate of \$250/hour. It is understood that you may use SI Group for support. In that regard, SI Group's Rate Schedule for its services is attached to this letter.

Please confirm your agreement to the foregoing by signing and dating this letter in the space provided below and thereafter, returning the signed and dated copy to me bearing your ink signature. We look forward to working with you.

Very truly yours,

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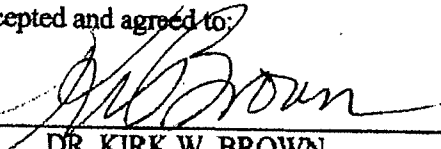
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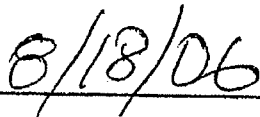


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DR. KIRK W. BROWN

Date:

  
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Project Manager/Engineer	115
Project Scientist/Engineer	99
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***Exhibit “D”***

**Trojecki, Amy M. (VH)**

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**Cc:** Harris, Glenn A. (VH)  
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Amy,

Plaintiffs' notice for Dr. Brown's deposition requested that Dr. Brown produce his complete file. I provided you with copies of Dr. Brown's complete file and therefore we have complied with your request. To the extent that you are requesting documents from my file, such a request is inappropriate. Notwithstanding the foregoing, as I advised you during an afternoon break on Friday, December 1, 2006, my file does not contain any drafts of Dr. Brown's report.

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ADVANCED ENVIRONMENTAL  
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Defendants.

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Civil Action No. 02-CV-3830 (LDD)

**ORDER**

AND NOW, this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,

2006, it is hereby ORDERED that Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel Production of Drafts of the  
Expert Report Prepared by Dr. Kirk W. Brown, Ph.D. is GRANTED.

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Legrome D. Davis  
United States District Judge



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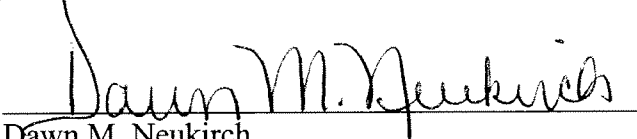
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I certify that on this day I served a copy of Plaintiffs' Motion to Compel the Production of Draft Expert Reports Prepared by Dr. Kirk W. Brown, Ph.D., by first class postage prepaid United States mail, on the counsel listed on the service list.

  
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